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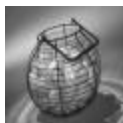
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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices were unchanged in all locations. Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand was light to at times fairly good, best where features were a factor. Supplies were about adequate to fully sufficient for full trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were tight to fully adequate for the light to fairly demand. Light type fowl were sufficient to available for a light to moderate demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Cartoned egg sales were light to mostly moderate and noted as improved over last week. Loose egg movement was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate. Central States breaking stock prices ranged higher with checks and undergrades unchanged. Offerings were tight to fully adequate for the light to fairly good demand. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY	IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers.	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	33-42	36-39			
LARGE	32-41	34-37	LARGE	14-23	18
MEDIUM	25-34	27-30	MEDIUM	7-13	11
			SMALL	5-9	

MIDWEST AREA: IA, IL, IN, KY, MI, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged on all sizes when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was generally steady entering the week. Demand into all outlets was light to moderate. Supplies ranged about adequate to fully adequate for current trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were usually adequate for the light demand. Spent hens were adequate to available and demand was reported as light to moderate.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	43-60	46-48
LARGE	37-51	42-46
MEDIUM	32-45	37-39

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, eastern NJ, eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand was moderate to instances fairly good. Food service movement was usually moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate. Central States breaking stock prices ranged higher with checks and undergrades unchanged. Offerings were tight to fully adequate for the light to fairly good demand. Floor stocks balanced to fully adequate. Schedules were full time. Trade sentiment was steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	46.5-55	48-51
LARGE	38.5-47	40-43
MEDIUM	32.5-41	34-37

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, and TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were generally unchanged on all sizes when compared to the previous week. Trade sentiment was steady beginning the week. Demand into all channels ranged light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate. Breaking stock offerings were mostly sufficient for the light demand. Light type fowl were adequate to available for the light to moderate demand.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	40.5-48	42-45
LARGE	39-46	40-43
MEDIUM	33.5-41	34-38

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, and southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged on all sizes when compared to Friday's values. Trade sentiment was generally steady entering the week. Demand into all outlets was light to moderate. Supplies were about adequate to fully adequate for immediate trade requirements.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	51-55
LARGE	49-53
MEDIUM	44-48

MIDWEST REGIONAL

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	40-48	41-43
LARGE	38-46	39-41
MEDIUM	31-39	32-34

WESTERN Prices unchanged. The Pacific region inventory was 3% lower than last Monday with California up 3% and Oregon-Washington-Utah down 12%. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings ample.

CALIFORNIA Prices unchanged. The California inventory was 3% higher than last Monday. Retailer demand mainly moderate. Offerings ample. Small benchmark price 50.

Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	106
EXTRA LARGE	91
LARGE	77
MEDIUM	70

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA		NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	
	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	279-329	JUMBO	
LARGE	249-299	EXTRA LARGE	Not
LARGE	199-239	LARGE	Available
MEDIUM	189-195	MEDIUM	

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending July 14, 2006 will decrease by 0 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending July 07, 2006 were 328,318 cases which was 1 percent above the prior week and 3 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	280,944	47,374	328,318
% change from the prior week.....	+1	+1	+1

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Breaking stock prices ranged higher with checks and undergrades unchanged. Offerings were tight to fully adequate with demand light to fairly good and reported as somewhat spotty. Floor stocks balanced to fully adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	22-26	22-24
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	11-18	11-13
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were lower than the past week. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were slow. Trade sentiment was steady at best.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 10-JUL-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	4-11.25 CENTS/LB.	7-9	7.59

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY HEN Prices were generally unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light to no better than fair for the adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as mostly normal. Sales of finished product was fair at best. The undertone was barely steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 10-JUL-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-12 CENTS/LB.		7.01
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- JULY 10, 2006

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO		SO		5-Area	
		Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	6.3	15.8	6.0	11.4	11.9	51.4
	Change	-1.1	-2.9	-1.6	0.3	-0.3	-10%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	23.1	50.8	12.2	19.8	36.1	142.0
	Change	-2.4	-13.9	0.2	-1.3	-5.7	-14%
Large	Curr Wk	38.9	160.6	82.6	84.0	120.5	486.6
	Change	-3.3	-42.4	8.5	-10.6	-8.1	-10%
Medium	Curr Wk	14.5	52.8	18.9	17.9	33.5	137.6
	Change	0.1	7.3	-1.5	-0.7	3.2	7%
Small	Curr Wk	7.7	9.5	0.4	5.4	5.5	28.5
	Change	2.5	1.1	0.0	-0.4	2.4	24%
Misc	Curr Wk	1.5	28.0	10.5	16.6	5.7	62.3
	Change	-0.6	-3.1	1.9	-5.9	0.4	-10%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	13.3	68.6	19.5	35.7	31.4	168.5
	Change	-1.0	11.2	-5.6	-12.4	1.8	-3%
Total Percent	Curr Wk	105.3	386.1	150.1	190.8	244.6	1076.9
	Change	-5%	-10%	1%	-14%	-3%	-7%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
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Shell Egg	1076.9	-7%	166
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	265.9	9%	35
Total Shell Egg	1342.8	-4%	201

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 166 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

CANADIAN EGGS QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES- GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 26, 2006

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.91	1.88	1.79	1.18

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF JUNE 26, 2006 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.46	1.46	1.36	.77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JULY 07, 2006**CURRENT LOADS** 19.50**FUTURE LOADS** 4.00**TOTAL LOADS** 23.50

SE			NE		MW				SC		NW		SW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	21.50	—	22.00	23.50	—	—	2.00	GL W J	54.75	—	—	—	55.00	60.00	2.00
GL W XL	—	—	36.00	38.33	29.86	—	7.00	GL W XL	31.00	37.50	—	—	—	42.00	4.00
GL W LG	—	—	—	—	24.75	26.00	3.00	GL W MD	21.50	—	—	32.00	—	29.00	4.00
GL W MD	—	24.00	26.50	28.00	20.00	—	4.50								
GL W SM	—	—	24.25	27.25	—	—	1.00								

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 07/03/06-07/07/06**CURRENT LOADS** 76.25**FUTURE LOADS** 27.50**TOTAL LOADS** 103.75

		SE		NE		MW				SC		NW		SW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	
GNR W 1	21.00	—	20.67	22.80	25.00	—	6.00	GNR W 1	29.00	31.00	—	—	—	38.00	2.00	
GNR BR 1	—	29.00	—	—	—	—	1.00	GL W J	52.13	56.00	—	—	55.00	60.00	4.00	
GL W J	—	—	38.00	40.00	48.00	—	2.00	GL W XL	32.67	36.75	—	—	—	40.60	11.50	
GL W XL	—	32.00	34.50	35.15	28.27	31.00	42.50	GL W LG	31.14	32.00	—	—	—	35.74	7.75	
GL W LG	—	31.00	25.50	33.50	23.50	26.00	19.50	GL W MD	22.25	29.00	—	32.00	—	29.00	10.00	
GL W MD	30.00	24.78	26.60	28.00	20.57	24.00	17.50	GL W SM	—	—	—	31.50	—	—	1.00	
GL W SM	26.00	28.00	24.25	27.25	19.80	23.13	7.00	NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	—	—	6.00	
GL BR LG	—	—	38.00	—	—	60.25	1.00	NRBS - 39	13.00	14.00	—	—	—	—	1.00	
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	—	23.10	31.00									
NRBS - 45	—	—	—	—	20.50	21.00	16.00									
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	18.00	8.00									
NRBS - 36	—	—	—	—	—	10.67	3.00									

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS.
THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER.
NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	07/03/06	06/26/06	07/04/05
PACIFIC COAST	55	63	268
LOS ANGELES	52	60	262

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is steady. Supplies are available.

Retail demand is fair.

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A,
WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MOSTLY

EXTRA LARGE	61.86
LARGE	56.86
MEDIUM	51.86
SMALL	45.00

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	222 – 261	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 – 151	130 - 134
Large doz.	217 – 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 – 142	125 - 128

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Out Of State Eggs - State Compilation

Report Period: 7/02/2006 - 7/08/2006

State	Number Cases	Number Cases Shipped To	Number Cases Shipped To Northern CA	Total State Shipped To Central CA
Southern CA				
Arizona	0	0	319	319
Arkansas	0	0	1,180	1,180
Colorado	0	0	2,257	2,257
Illinois	0	0	757	757
Iowa	5,662	830	53,964	60,456
Maine	0	0	348	348
Michigan	0	0	7,496	7,496
Minnesota	4,920	1,280	9,465	15,665
Missouri	0	0	4,170	4,170
North Carolina	615	0	3,680	4,295
Ohio	0	0	4,065	4,065
Oregon	1,299	0	0	1,299
South Dakota	0	0	1,620	1,620
Texas	0	0	1,590	1,590
Utah	1,590	0	17,472	19,062
Washington	4,629	393	0	5,022
Grand Total	18,715	2,503	108,383	129,601
SHIPPED TO MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO NON-MILITARY	18,715	2,503	108,383	129,601